UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

RASHEED HARGROVE,

Civil Action No. 04-2992 (PGS)

Petitioner,

V.

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Respondent.

This matter has been remanded to this Court by the Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit "for the sole purpose of either issuing a certificate of appealability or stating reasons why a certificate of appealability should not issue."

This Court declines to issue a certificate of appealability. An appeal may not be taken from a final order in a proceeding under 28 U.S.C. § 2255, "[u]nless a circuit justice or judge issues a certificate of appealability." 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(1)(B). Such certificate may issue only "if the applicant has made a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right." 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(2). To establish a substantial showing, "[t]he petitioner must demonstrate that reasonable jurists would find the district court's assessment of the constitutional claims debatable or wrong." *Slack v. McDaniel*, 529 U.S. 473, 484, 120 S. Ct. 1595, 146 L. Ed. 2d 542 (2000). Here, Petitioner has failed in his § 2255 petition to make a substantial showing of a deprivation of a constitutional right and has further failed to establish that reasonable jurists would find Petitioner's "constitutional claims debatable or wrong." *Id*.

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Therefore, IT IS on this 9th day of September, 2010;

ORDERED that a certificate of appealability should be denied pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(2).

HON. PETER G. SHERIDAN, U.S.D.J.

September 9, 2010